

REMARKS

By this paper, Applicants amend original claims 3-10, 13-18, and 20-24 to eliminate the multiple-dependent claim language. Claims 1-24 are also amended to make simple clarifications of the subject matter recited therein and/or to remove extraneous language. All amendments herein are made for reasons of clerical nature, proving more preferred format, grammar and style, and not for reasons related to patentability. Further, no new matter has been added as a result of these amendments. New claims 25-27 have been added to better reflect subject matter present in the original claims. Applicants maintain that all of the originally-filed claims continue to be within the scope of overall invention, and respectfully reserve the right to present any of such claims at a later time.

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